

FOREST FIRES ON UPPER APPLIGATE MOST MENACING

The federal forestry service now has 60 men at work on threatening forest fires in the Applegate district, and today ten more firefighters were being sought in the city to be rushed to the big fire on Cougar creek, to reinforce the force that has been at work there for several days.

The big forest fire that started in brush in the Carberry creek-Stevens Peak section several days ago, has now spread into huge proportions and reached into heavy timber. It has spread in length as far as Swans valley which is 8 or 10 miles west from Stevens Peak. The lookout at the peak, who was forced to flee when the fire started and spread so fast, and who returned to the station later, telephoned today that the peak was surrounded on all sides by fire and that he could not get away if he wanted. He has supplies and of course is now in no danger because of the fire in its rush having burned over everything in the vicinity of the peak.

The big fire at Cougar creek is burning in brush but is spreading out considerably. Yesterday word was received at the forestry office here that the flames were threatening the Middle Fork Applegate bridge on the Cook-n-Green trail. Federal Forest Supervisor Rankin today took personal charge of the crew of 20 men at this fire.

GERMANS IN FULL FLIGHT.

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moved back all his heavier artillery. Morale is high.

The resistance the Americans encountered was from machine guns and airplanes.

The densest concentration was along the ridges north of Bazoches and Fismette and in at least two instances desperate efforts were made to hold back the line. The Americans rushed the machine guns only in exceptional cases.

The spirit of the men had been unimpaired by the long hammering they have had on the Vosle line. If anything the effect had been to stimulate them to a keener desire to get at the enemy. The day closed with men and officers hopeful of finishing their pursuit tomorrow.

Long Range Bombardment. It is expected that machine gun and perhaps artillery resistance will be met with on the Alsne.

Last night and this forenoon passed, however, with nothing more serious than a long range bombardment of the American rear lines across the Alsne.

French forces are advancing on a line paralleling that of the Americans on the left, but to the east of the Americans the front still runs toward Rheims. This leaves to the Americans on the right the hardest task and there greater German resistance is expected. In this region the Germans have strong positions and are capable of making a better defense.

MARALDA HELD TO GRAND JURY

At his preliminary hearing in Justice Taylor's court Wednesday afternoon Frank Maralda, the traveling vaudeville musician and actor, who was arrested on two charges relating to alleged misconduct on his part in a local theater towards a number of little girls during a matinee performance, was held on each charge to the grand jury and bail in each case was fixed at \$500. Unable to furnish bail Maralda will be a prisoner in the county jail at least until the grand jury acts.

Maralda was a soldier musician in the army until last October, when he was given an honorable discharge because of defective eyesight. He also formerly served in the national guards of Illinois and Massachusetts. The girls who were annoyed by Maralda and other witnesses testified against him at the hearing.

SEEK BETTER MAIL SERVICE, BUTTE FALLS

Butte Falls stands a fair chance of getting an increased mail service according to a letter received recently by Harry E. Mills, manager of the Butte Falls Lumber company, from Congressman W. C. Hawley, which reads in part, as follows:

"Upon receipt of your letter relative to increased mail service for Butte Falls I presented the matter to the postoffice department with a favorable argument. I was especially impressed with your increase of population and the prospective continued increase. The department states that it has asked for certain information from the officials with the purpose of extending the service. If the information requested seems to warrant and the report of the officials is favorable as I understand, by adding a three times per week star route service alternating with the present railway service, which would provide the six times a week service desired."

Important Notice. On account of the shortage of labor we have decided not to have a formal millinery opening this season, but a permanent and changing exhibition of the latest modes at all times.

THE MAY COMPANY.

PEAR SHIPMENT ORDERED CUT TO AVOID EMBARGO

Discomfiting news came to the orchardists of Medford and vicinity this forenoon in a telegram received by E. M. McKeany from the Dennis, Kimball & Pope of New York, warning that unless shipments of fruit were cut down for the next three days, an embargo would be placed upon all shipments of fruit by the Erie railroad. The telegram reads as follows:

"Owing to congestion of the railroads east of Chicago at a meeting here today of the receivers and railroad officials, it is absolutely essential to cut down shipments the next three days. Otherwise the Erie railroad will put an embargo on fruit."

Should the Erie railroad find it necessary to put an embargo on that would mean that no fruit could be moved into New York while it was in force, as all fruit shipments, especially pears, go eastward from Chicago on the Erie because that carrier has a monopoly of the best terminal and auction sale facilities in New York for handling fruit.

A similar telegram was received by other fruit concerns of the city, and the warning will be complied with. Late pears have been the only shipments leaving the past few days, and the telegraphic warning will be complied with. It is anticipated that no great hardships will be imposed by reduction in local shipments, and that picking and packing of late pears will be continued. It does mean though that the cold storage capacity of the city will be filled to utmost capacity, and that perhaps not all of the pear crop can be accommodated in cold storage until shipments can be started again.

Twelve cars of pears were shipped out yesterday, making a total of 372 cars shipped from Medford so far this season. It has been expected that the total would be 400 cars by Saturday night. Pears will be moving eastward for three weeks yet, providing the railroad facilities permit.

The draft contingent, the names of the members of which were published in Wednesday's Mail Tribune, left for Camp Lewis last night to begin their military service. Many relatives and friends of the boys bade them farewell at the depot.

BROAD GROUND FOR EXEMPTION FROM SERVICE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Much broader grounds for the establishment of claims for exemption from military service are provided in new regulations now being worked out by Provost Marshal General Crowder to govern the classification of men between 18 and 45 who will register on September 12.

Important modifications are based upon the change of a few words in the original draft law made in passing the new man power act. The term "industrial occupation" is eliminated and the law now provides persons may be given deferred classification when engaged "in occupation or employment, including agriculture, which can be established as necessary to the military establishment or the maintenance of the national interest."

Bankers Exempt. This section, officials pointed out today, with the regulations constraining it, will definitely allow district exemption boards to exempt bankers and essential bank employees, men engaged in necessary commercial enterprise and necessary workers for Red Cross and kindred organizations. The regulations will not attempt specifically to define the status of registrants who shall be entitled to exemption but will allow the boards to work out the details, after the authorization has been given them.

Since the requirement that a man exempted because of his occupation must be of such importance as to threaten the continuance of the enterprise to which he is attached, has remained, the sum total of exemptions is not expected to seriously effect the man power which will be placed in class one.

District boards in applying occupational exemption regulations will have the assistance of three advisers, industrial, commercial and agricultural, who are now being nominated in every district.

Only Minor Changes. Only minor changes are incorporated in the revised questionnaire, which the registrants of September 12 will be required to fill out. It strikes out the requirement that city police and firemen be in service three years be-

fore being entitled to deferred classification and allows them to be placed in class three without regard to their length of service. It establishes

also three new divisions in class five, exempting automatically persons discharged from military or naval service "upon ground of alienage."

The questionnaire still requires each registrant who desires exemption to make formal claim and present detailed facts substantiating it.



Letter from Buster Brown and Tige

St. Louis, Mo., August 30th, 1918. Brown Shoe Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sirs: My reception at Medford, Ore., for C. W. Whillock & Son was a grand success. They had my coming well advertised all over town. After arriving, we drove over town, and announced reception for 1:30 p. m., to which everyone was invited. When the hour came, we had a very large crowd gathered, to which I gave about an hour's talk on Buster Brown Shoes and Brown Shoe Co.'s Shoes in general.

I sure had the kiddies wild. They all held up their hands and promised that they would never wear any other kind of shoe but Buster Brown Shoes. I also drilled them thoroughly on the line before giving out the souvenirs. Tige entertained them with his tricks, which everyone seemed to enjoy.

The manager and everyone else were well pleased with our entertainment and I shall hope to have the pleasure of another visit there later on.

Yours very Truly, BUSTER BROWN AND TIGE.

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